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Ms. Rosemarie Andolino
Executive Director, O'Hare Modernization Program
City of Chicago, Department of Aviation
8755 West Higgins Road
Chicago, Illinois 60631

Re: Designation of Proposed Future Runways for Planning Purposes

Dear Ms. Andolino:

As you are aware, the proposed runways (if approved) would be phased in construction and commissioning. This, along with the number of east-west oriented runways, could have the potential of causing confusion amongst airport operators.

In order to mitigate any potential confusion, the following runway designations should be used for planning purposes. Upon commissioning of the new proposed Runway 9L-27R, the existing Runway 9L-27R should be redesignated Runway 9R-27L; and the existing Runway 9R-27L on the south airfield should be redesignated Runway 10-28.

We believe implementing these runway designations as part of the planning for Phase 1A will prevent further confusion as the other proposed runways are planned. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Richard Kula of my staff at 847-294-7507.

Sincerely,

Barry D. Cooper
Manager, Chicago Area Modernization Program Office